

## **PROCLAMATION**

whereas, play is a valuable part of a child's healthy development and is a crucial factor in the overall well-being of children; and

**WHEREAS,** a productive, healthy and physically fit child becomes a socially competent and productive adult; and

WHEREAS, children who play do better in school and develop cognitive skills that are linked to learning and academic performance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northglenn acknowledges that children are our most important resource, and that we must promote and ensure an abundance of safe and accessible playspaces for all children; and

**WHEREAS,** unstructured, unplanned, spontaneous and self-motivated play is on the decline, and it is important to reverse that trend in our community; and

**WHEREAS,** we encourage children to spend time outside at parks and playgrounds with their friends, parents and other trusted adults; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northglenn will join Playful Cities USA in celebrating Play Day and Play Day activities will be held throughout the year. Special activities will be held at Stuckey Elementary School between September 18-26, 2010.

**NOW THEREFORE, I,** Susan Clyne, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Northglenn, Colorado, do hereby proclaim the week of September 18-26, 2010 as

## PLAY DAYS

in the City of Northglenn and encourage all citizens to participate and advocate for play during this week in an effort to continue to support and maintain playspaces and playgrounds for the well-being of this and future generations.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 2010.

SUSAN CLYNE Mayor Pro Tem